

Attachment 6.1

Palm Springs International Airport Update

AVIATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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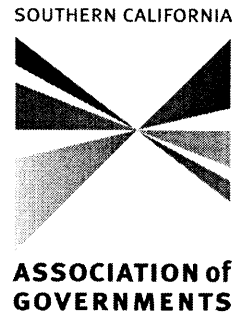
Memorandum

Date: March 27, 2003

To: ATAC

From: SCAG Aviation Staff

RE: Palm Springs International Airport



Palm Springs airport has one primary runway and a parallel general aviation runway.

13L/31R, 4,952 Feet
13R/31L, 10,000 Feet

Palm Springs Airport has operating restrictions agreed to in the Airport Use and Lease Agreements with the airlines that there will be no scheduled air carrier service between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. (with some exceptions, such as unscheduled maintenance or weather).

In 1996, the Palm Springs Regional Airport became the first airport in the state of California to be designated a "User Fee Customs Airport". The user fee program was established by the United States Customs Service to provide Customs services, to be paid for by the user, to airports that are not capable of supporting the Federal Inspection Program.

The airport is also designated as a Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ), which is designed to accommodate manufacturing and distribution of goods and supplies.

Palm Spring's market revolves around the winter season when the area is flooded with tourists and people with winter homes. The airport has service year round to a number of Western U.S. destinations, and the schedules are typically increased during the winter months.

This season Delta announced new non-stop service to Atlanta using a Boeing 737-800 aircraft. The flight is once daily. Continental will be flying two flights a day between Houston and Palm Springs using ERJ aircraft. United Express will be starting 3 flights a day between Denver and Palm Springs using a CRJ. Lastly, Northwest is beginning their Palm Springs to Minneapolis service a month early, beginning October 1st.

The airport service area includes a population base of more than one million, and extends from the communities of Yucca Valley and Twentynine Palms on the north; Banning and Beaumont to the west; Hemet to the south; and Indio, Coachella and Thermal to the southeast.

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PALM SPRINGS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AIR SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS WINTER 2003

Visit us online at www.palmspringsairport.com

60 daily departures are available from PSP to 16 nonstop destinations in North America!

Alaska Airlines - 800.252.7522 - www.alaskaair.com

- ▶ Three (3) daily nonstop flights to Seattle, WA..
- ▶ Three (3) daily nonstop flights to San Francisco, CA.
- ▶ One (1) daily nonstop flight to San Jose, CA.
- ▶ One (1) daily nonstop flight to Portland, OR. 2nd nonstop on weekends.
- ▶ One (1) Saturday & Sunday nonstop flight to Vancouver, BC.

America West Express - 800.235.9292 - www.americawest.com

- ▶ Six (6) daily nonstop flights to Phoenix, AZ, some aboard 50-passenger regional jets.
- ▶ Connections available to dozens of destinations throughout the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

American Airlines - 800.433.7300 - www.aa.com

- ▶ Three (3) daily nonstop flights to Dallas/Ft. Worth, TX. 4th flight on wknd begins Feb. 1.
- ▶ Two (2) daily nonstop flights to Chicago O'Hare, IL. 3rd wknd flight begins Jan. 11 and operates daily eff. Mar. 1.
- ▶ Multiple connections via either of these hubs to destinations throughout the central and eastern U.S., Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Europe.

American Eagle - 800.433.7300 - www.aa.com

- ▶ Nine (9) daily nonstop flights to Los Angeles, CA.
- ▶ American Eagle provides code share service with Alaska Airlines, American Airlines, Northwest Airlines, Continental Airlines, Delta Air Lines and Midwest Express Airlines at Los Angeles.

Continental Airlines / Continental Express - 800.523.3273 - www.continental.com

- ▶ Two (2) daily year-round nonstop jet flights to Houston, TX begin Dec. 12.
- ▶ This year-round service comes after just three years of serving PSP during the winter season.

Delta Air Lines - 800.221.1212 - www.delta.com

- ▶ One (1) daily nonstop flight to Atlanta, GA will operate Dec. 1 - Apr. 30. This is the first-ever daily nonstop service to Atlanta, the World's Busiest Airport. Delta and Delta Connection operate more than 800 daily flights to more than 150 nonstop destinations from Atlanta.

Delta Connection - 800.221.1212 - www.delta.com

- ▶ Two (2) daily nonstop flights to Salt Lake City, UT on the 50-passenger Canadair Regional Jet.
- ▶ Delta Air Lines and SkyWest serve dozens of mountain, central, and east coast destinations via Salt Lake City, in addition to select Canadian cities.

Horizon Air - 800.547.9308 - www.horizonair.com

- ▶ One (1) daily nonstop flight to Sacramento, CA operates through Apr. 27.
- ▶ This is the second consecutive season of nonstop service to our state capitol.
- ▶ Horizon Air, flying new 70-seat regional jets to Sacramento, is the sister carrier to Alaska Airlines.

Northwest Airlines - 800.225.2525 - www.nwa.com

- ▶ One (1) daily nonstop flight to Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN.
- ▶ 2nd daily nonstop flight to Minneapolis/St. Paul will operate Jan. 7 - Apr. 6.

United Express - 800.241.6522 - www.united.com

- ▶ Three (3) daily year-round regional jet flights to Denver, CO begin Dec. 13.
- ▶ Twelve (12) daily nonstop flights to Los Angeles, CA..
- ▶ Two (2) daily nonstop flights to Las Vegas, NV.